

REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the Office Action mailed October 17, 2006.

By this Amendment, claim 1 has been amended to more particularly define the present invention in accordance with the Examiner suggestions. Support for the claim amendments can be found throughout the specification and the original claim.

In view of these amendments, Applicant believes that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Reexamination and reconsideration in light of the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112

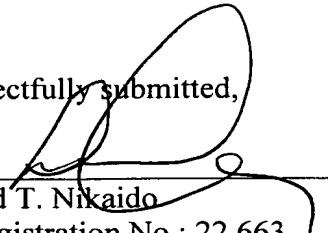
Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, for allegedly being indefinite. Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection. However, in order to expedite the allowance of the present application, Applicant has amended claim 1 to clarify the claimed invention and to address the Examiner's concerns. Specifically, claim 1 has been amended to specify a "*photogravure printing plate precursor comprising (A) a photogravure plated roll, and (B) a positive-type photosensitive composition . . . wherein the positive-type photosensitive composition is coated on the photogravure plated roll*". Applicant believes that such amendments to claim 1 clarify the subject matter of claim 1 (i.e. a photogravure printing plate precursor). Thus, in view of the claim amendments to claim 1, withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, all the claims now pending in the present application are believed to be clearly patentable over the outstanding rejections. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration of the claims in light of the above remarks is courteously solicited. If the Examiner has any comments or suggestions that could place this application in even better form, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned attorney at the below-listed number.

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